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MINISTRY OF LAW

(Legislative Department)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 25th April 1968

S.O. 1520.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 169 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, the Central Government, after consulting the Election Commission, hereby makes the following further amendments in the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, namely:—

1. **Short title.**—These rules may be called the Conduct of Elections (Second Amendment) Rules, 1968.

2. **Amendment of rule 70.**—In rule 70 of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, in clause (ii)—

(a) for the words and figures "in lieu of rules 37 to 39", the words and figures "in lieu of rules 37 to 40" shall be substituted;

(b) after rule 39A, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"40A. *Recording of votes of illiterate, blind or infirm electors.*—(1) If an elector is unable to read the ballot paper or to record his vote thereon in accordance with rule 37A by reason of illiteracy, blindness or other infirmity, the presiding officer shall, on being satisfied about such illiteracy, blindness or infirmity, permit the elector to take with him a companion of not less than twentyone years of age who is able to read the ballot paper and record the vote thereon on behalf of, and in accordance with the wishes of, the elector and, if necessary, to fold the ballot paper so as to conceal the vote and insert it into the ballot box:

Provided that no person shall be permitted to act as the companion of more than one elector at any polling station on the same day:

Provided further that before any person is permitted to act as the companion of an elector on any day under this rule, the person shall be required to declare that he will keep secret the vote recorded by him on behalf of the elector and that he has not already acted as the companion of any other elector at any polling station on that day.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall keep a record in Form 14A of all the cases under this rule.

(3) The Presiding Officer shall, when he is so requested by the companion of an elector, explain to him the instructions for the recording of votes.".

3. **Amendment of Form 14A.**—In Form 14A—

(a) for the words "Blind and", the words "Illiterate, Blind and", shall be substituted;

(b) for the brackets, words and figures, "[See Rule 40(2)]", the words, brackets and figures "[See Rule 40(2) and Rule 40A(2)]" shall be substituted.

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